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1. DURING WORLD ADMINISTRATIVE RADIO CONFERENCE ON THE
AERONAUTICAL MOBILE (R) SERVICE (AEROWARC), PRESENTLY UNDER
WAY AT GENEVA, FOLLOWING MATTERS HAVE BEEN TOUCHED UPON
RELATING TO 1979 WORLD ADMINISTRATIVE RADIO CONFERENCE
(1979 WARC):

2. CEPT MEETING

PETTI PROPOSES US-CEPT MEETING IN ROME MAY 9-12. USDEL
CONFIRMED LOCATION AND DATE ACCEPTABLE TO U.S. BAPTISTE
STILL INTERESTED IN CANUKUS MEETING AND SUGGESTED LONDON
AS SITE JUST PRIOR TO CEPT MEETING MENTIONED ABOVE.

3. CHINA

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USREPS MET WITH CHINESE TO DISCUSS WARC 79 PREPARATION.
CHINESE GENERALLY NON-COMMITTAL TO U.S. VIEWS AND REPEATED-
LY STATED THAT THEIR PREPARATIONS ARE NOT SUFFICIENTLY FAR
ADVANCED TO PROVIDE SPECIFIC VIEWS ON AREAS TOUCHED UPON
DURING DISCUSSION, EXCEPT FEW MINOR POINTS WHICH MAY
GENERALLY INDICATE THEIR FEELINGS TOWARD THE ALLOCATION
TABLE AT 79. IN SUBSEQUENT CORRIDOR CONTACT INITIATED

BY CHINESE, THEY VOLUNTEERED VIEW AMATEUR EXPANSION NOT WARRANTED AS SERVICE HARD TO CONTROL AND THEREFORE NONEXISTENT IN CHINA. MAJOR EXCEPTION TO ABSENCE SPECIFIC VIEWS, HOWEVER, WAS CLEAR STATEMENT THAT CHINESE FIND PROCEDURAL REGULATIONS ARTICLE 9 AND 9A UNSATISFACTORY IN PRESENT FORM. THEY SAID THAT "UNREASONABLE" ASPECTS MUST BE CHANGED BUT WERE NON-RESPONSIVE TO REQUEST FOR SPECIFICS OF WHAT THEY CONSIDER TO BE "UNREASONABLE" ABOUT PRESENT PROCEDURES. MERELY REFERRED TO STATEMENTS MADE AT VARIOUS ITU MEETINGS BY CHINESE TO SHORTCOMINGS OF PRESENT REGULATIONS. CHINESE REPS EXPRESSED WARM REGARD FOR GOOD WORKING RELATIONS ESTABLISHED BY THEIR ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL MEMBER LIU AND JOHN O'NEILL. WHEN ADVISED THAT MRS. PHILLIPS HAS SUCCEEDED O'NEILL AS U.S. MEMBER OF ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL, CHINESE EXPRESSED HOPE THAT GOOD RELATIONS WOULD CONTINUE AND WOULD PROVIDE OPPORTUNITY FOR FURTHER DISCUSSION OF WARC 1979 MATTERS. CHINESE ALSO NOTED THAT MORE DETAILED DISCUSSIONS WOULD BE DESIRABLE ONCE THEIR VIEWS ARE MORE FULLY DEVELOPED.

4. INDIA

SRIRANGAN WOULD WELCOME BILATERAL DISCUSSIONS AT APPROPRIATE TIME. HE EXPRESSED CONCERN OVER ADEQUACY OF EXISTING ARTICLE 9A SAYING THAT RESULTS ACHIEVED BY THE PROCEDURE DO NOT REFLECT SPIRIT OF CONVENTION AND RESOLU-

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TION SPA2 - 1 THAT FREQUENCIES AND GEOSTATIONARY ORBIT ARE TO BE AVAILABLE TO ALL NATIONS ON AN EQUAL BASIS. HE CITED THAT IN PRACTICE PLANNED SYSTEMS MUST ALWAYS MAKE CONCESSIONS TO OPERATING SYSTEMS AND GRATUITOUSLY EXPRESSED VIEW PLAN MAY BE PREFERABLE TO ARTICLE 9A. HE SAID THIS BURDEN SHOULD BE EQUALLY SHARED AND NOT BORNE ENTIRELY BY THE NEW ENTRANT. IN HIS OPINION THE MULTI-PURPOSE INDIAN DOMESTIC SATELLITE SUFFERED LOSS OF 20 PER CENT OF OPERATING CAPACITY DUE TO ORBIT LOCATION AND OTHER OPERATING RESTRICTIONS IMPOSED AS A RESULT ACCOMMODATING TO EXISTING IN-ORBIT SYSTEMS. HE NOTED PARTICULAR DIFFICULTY IN SEEKING MORE REASONABLE ACCOMMODATION WITH INDONESIAN SATELLITE WHICH INDIA VIEWS TO BE INEFFICIENTLY POSITIONED IN ORBIT. HE CITED OFFER BY INDIA TO BEAR COST OF ANTENNA MODIFICATION TO INDONESIAN SATELLITE PRIOR TO LAUNCH SO THAT ALTERNATIVE ORBIT LOCATION COULD BE SELECTED TO BENEFIT OF INDIAN SYSTEM. HE SAID INDONESIANS SIMPLY REFUSED THE OFFER. SRIRANGAN OBVIOUSLY CONCERNED ABOUT NUMBER OF SATELLITE SYSTEMS BEING ADVANCE PUBLISHED UNDER NO. 639A OF RADIO REGULATIONS FOR OPERATIONAL USE IN THE INDIAN OCEAN BASIN WHICH HE CHARACTERIZED AS A "RACE FOR ORBIT LOCATIONS". HE SAID GEOGRAPHY OF THE REGION DID NOT PERMIT

SHARING FREQUENCY REUSE POSSIBILITY AS IN REGIONS WITH NORTH-SOUTH LAND MASSES. IN INDIAN OCEAN REGION HE SAID LAND MASS LIES MOSTLY TO THE NORTH WITH ONLY OCEAN TO THE SOUTH. HE ALSO OBSERVED THAT ONLY TWO NATIONS, US/USSR, HAVE ABILITY TO LAUNCH GEOSYNCHRONOUS SATELLITES WHICH PLACES OTHER COUNTRIES AT THEIR MERCY IN WHO HAS FINAL SAY ABOUT ORBIT USE. U.S. SPOKESMAN REITERATED LONG-STANDING U.S. LAUNCH POLICY. SRIRANGAN ALSO EXPRESSED CONCERN ABOUT ARTICLES HE HAD SEEN AFTER 74 MARITIME CONFERENCE, RAISING QUESTIONS ABOUT U.S. COMMITMENT TO MEMBERSHIP IN ITU. U.S. SPOKESMAN IN UNEQUIVOCAL TERMS GAVE REASSURANCE THAT U.S. POLICY REMAINS UNCHANGED AND SUPPORTS FULL, CONTINUING PARTICIPATION IN ITU.

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5. USSR

FOLLOWING IS SUMMARY OF DISCUSSION WITH BADALOV CONCERNING WARC 79. USSR FAVORS EXPANSION OF BROADCASTING AND MARITIME MOBILE IN H.F. BAND BUT BADALOV WOULD NOT INDICATE MAGNITUDE OF INCREASE UNDER CONSIDERATION. HE NOTED THAT AT 1959 WARC USSR TOOK RESERVATION WITH RESPECT TO BROADCASTING ALLOCATIONS SINCE ALLOCATIONS WERE FEWER THAN USSR BELIEVED TO BE NECESSARY. HE NOTED THERE IS RELATIVELY LITTLE USE OF THE RADIO AMATEUR SERVICE IN THE USSR. HE OFFERED NO ESTIMATE OF EXTENT TO WHICH HE THOUGHT HF FIXED SERVICES COULD BE REDUCED AND CITED UNSUCCESSFUL STUDY IN THIS AREA IN 1961 CONDUCTED PURSUANT TO 1959 WARC RECOMMENDATION TO EXPLORE MEANS OF REDUCING H.F. USE. HE NOTED THAT FIXED SERVICE IS ECONOMICAL AND IS USED EXTENSIVELY DOMESTICALLY TO MEET

REMOTE, LOW DENSITY REQUIREMENTS IN MIDDLE ASIA AND FAR EAST AREAS FOR DISTANCES EXCEEDING 3000 KM. HE QUESTIONED WHETHER SHARING BETWEEN FIXED AND BROADCASTING IS FEASIBLE IN VIEW OF HIGH POWER USED BY LATTER SERVICE. BADALOV WILL REVIEW TECHNICAL PROPOSALS RELATING TO BROADCASTING AND NOTED THAT CCIR HAS MADE NO RECOMMENDATIONS RELATING TO SINGLE SIDE BAND TRANSMISSION AT H.F. LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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BUT HAS DONE SO AT LF AND MF. USSR EXPECTS TO PROPOSE REGION ONE ALLOCATION AT 100-104 MHZ FOR FM BROADCASTING. IN BAND 470-790 MHZ HAS T.V. AND NO INTEREST IN INTRODUCING MOBILE SERVICES IN THIS BAND; ALSO INDICATED THAT CONSIDERATION IS BEING GIVEN TO PROPOSING DELETION OF BROADCASTING ABOVE 790 MHZ IN REGION ONE. WITH RESPECT TO FIXED SATELLITE BANDS, BADALOV ACKNOWLEDGED "GENTLEMAN'S AGREEMENT" CONCERNING USE REACHED AT 1963 SPACE CONFERENCE. CLEARLY HE IS NOW OF THE VIEW THAT THESE "AGREEMENTS" NEED TO BE UPDATED IN LIGHT OF EXPERIENCE GAINED DURING INTERVENING FIFTEEN YEARS AND CITED SHARING POSSIBILITIES. CONCERNING ADEQUACY OF ARTICLE 9A HE SAID THAT IT WAS A USEFUL PROCEDURE BUT COULD BE MADE MORE SPECIFIC IN VIEW OF EXPERIENCE GAINED SINCE 1971 AND THAT HE WAS "INCLINED" TO SEE THE BASIC APPROACH RETAINED, WHERE BANDS ARE NOT PLANNED. IN RESPONSE TO QUESTION ABOUT POSSIBILITY OF PLANNED BANDS IN FIXED SATELLITE SERVICE BADALOV RESPONDED IMMEDIATELY BY SAYING HE PERSONALLY PREFERRED SUCH AN APPROACH BECAUSE IT LEADS TO CERTAINTY AND PREDICTABILITY. (NOTE IN SEPARATE CONVERSATION WITH NEW SOVIET IFRB MEMBER, KOURAKOV EXPRESSED PERSONAL VIEW THAT AN A PRIORI PLAN FOR FIXED SATELLITE SERVICE DOES NOT SEEM FEASIBLE AND CIRCUMSTANCES ARE QUITE DIFFERENT FROM BROADCASTING SATELLITE SERVICE SITUATION FOR WHICH 1977 WARC ADOPTED PLANNED APPROACH IN REGIONS ONE AND THREE.) BADALOV SAID USSR WOULD HAVE PROPOSALS FOR ALLOCATING BANDS ABOVE 40 GHZ. HE ALSO INDICATED THAT FOOTNOTES SHOULD BE REDUCED TO THE MAXIMUM EXTENT POSSIBLE AND THAT IT WAS HIS PERSONAL VIEW THAT WHEREEVER POSSIBLE ALLOCATIONS SHOULD BE MADE WORLD-WIDE RATHER THAN ON A REGIONAL BASIS. BADALOV SAID HE WOULD ENDEAVOR TO PROVIDE THE U.S. WITH WRITTEN VIEWS ON WARC 79 PRIOR TO THE MOSCOW MEETING BUT COULD NOT LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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GUARANTEE THAT THIS COULD BE DONE. IN SEPARATE DISCUSSIONS INITIATED BY MEMBER OF USSR DELEGATION WHO DRAFTED 1978

AEROWARC PROPOSALS, WE WERE PROVIDED NUMBER OF PAGES OF
NON-ARTICLE 5 1979 DRAFT PROPOSALS MOSTLY IN RUSSIAN.
BADALOV ACCEPTS SUGGESTED MEETING DATE FOR MOSCOW
BI-LATERALS FOR WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 4, 1978.

6. NORWAY

THURMOND BOE INDICATED SMALL GROUP OF CEPT COUNTRIES
(WHAT HE REFERRED TO AS "UPPER TEN") WOULD BE GOING TO
MOSCOW IN APRIL TO DISCUSS WARC 1979 MATTERS.

7. CAMEROON

USREPS MET WITH MR. VEGA OF CAMERON DELEGATION.
ALLOCATIONS CONVERSATION CONCERNED HF. VEGA STATED NEED
FOR HF FIXED TO PROVIDE LINKS TO REMOTE AREAS OF COUNTRY.
ALSO STATED THAT HIS AND NEIGHBORING COUNTRIES HAVE LITTLE
INTEREST IN AMATEUR SERVICE. VEGA DID NOT HAVE VIEWS ON
OTHER THAN HF, SAID THAT HE WAS ONLY BEGINNING PREPARATION
FOR WARC 79 AND MUST COORDINATE INPUTS FROM VARIOUS
DEPARTMENTS. MORE INTERESTING, VEGA SAID THAT HE HAD BEEN
ASKED THAT DAY BY YUGOSLAVIANS TO COORDINATE SEMINAR OF
NEIGHBORING AFRICAN COUNTRIES AS PART OF WARC 79 PREPARA-
TION OF NON-ALIGNED COUNTRIES. SAID THAT HIS AND
NEIGHBORING COUNTRIES HAD BEEN UNPREPARED FOR AERO WARC,
BUT WERE USING IT TO LEARN. THEY WILL USE LESSONS
LEARNED, PLUS VARIOUS VIEWS EXPRESSED AT AERO WARC, PLUS
INFORMATION SUCH AS FIFTH NOI IN PREPARATION FOR WARC 79.
WAS RECEPTIVE TO SUGGESTION FOR MORE DETAILED TALKS WITH
U.S. IN FALL IN CONNECTION INTELSAT MEETING AND WILL BE
IN CONTACT WITH U.S. REPS RE WARC 79.

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8. YUGOSLAVIA

YUGOSLAV REPS EXPRESSED INTEREST IN U.S. PROPOSALS CONCERNING BROADCASTING PROPOSALS AT 1615-1800 KHZ AS THEY HAVE SERIOUS CONGESTION IN MF BAND AND WOULD LIKE TO SEE EXPANSION. THEY HAVE NO INTEREST IN L.F. BROADCASTING CITING THE HIGH COST OF ANTENNAS AND HAVE NO STATIONS IN THE L.F. BANDS. YUGOSLAVS APPARENTLY SEEK INFLUENTIAL RELATIONSHIP WITH NON-ALIGNED COUNTRIES SO-CALLED "GROUP OF 77" AND ARE CONSIDERING HOSTING A SEMINAR IN BELGRADE IN SPRING 1979 TO DISCUSS WARC 1979 ISSUES. THEY HAVE KEEN INTEREST IN U.S. WIRELESS TRANSMISSION OF POWER PROPOSAL AND HAVE REQUESTED ADDITIONAL INFORMATION. GENERAL BELIEF THAT SHARING HF FIXED AND BROADCASTING SERVICES NOT FEASIBLE AND COMMENTED THAT ARTICLE 10 DOES NOT WORK WELL. THEY QUESTIONED U.S. ATTITUDE TOWARD SOUND BROADCASTING FROM SATELLITE NOTING THAT THERE ARE EBU PROPOSALS FOR THIS IN EUROPE BUT ALTHOUGH TECHNICALLY POSSIBLE SUCH BROADCASTING IS POLITICALLY UNDESIRABLE. DULOVIC EXTREMELY PLEASED WITH PROSPECT OF U.S. WARC 79 TEAM VISIT IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING SPM.

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9. AUSTRALIA

AUSTRALIAN DELEGATE HAS PROVIDED COPY OF FREQUENCY TABLE PROPOSALS IN BAND 3-47 MHZ.

10. ALGERIA

ALGERIAN REP BELIEVES MID-APRIL TOO SOON FOR WARC 79 TEAM VISIT AS THEIR PREPARATIONS ONLY BEGINNING. PLAN TO DRAW UPON FIFTH NOI AND CANADIAN PROPOSALS TO GATHER IMPRESSIONS ON REQUIREMENTS OF INDUSTRIALIZED COUNTRIES. THEY SUGGESTED MEETING DURING OR FOLLOWING SPM AS APPROPRIATE MEETING TIME AS THEY WOULD LIKE TO BE IN POSITION TO HAVE TWO-WAY EXCHANGE OF VIEWS. WARC 79 PREPARATIONS ARE UNDER DIRECTION OF MR. BOUHIRED WHO LEADS THEIR AERO WARC DELEGATION AND WHO HAS BEEN ACTIVE AT AERO WARC.

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